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**Baseball Line-up:**  
Nighthawks: Catcher, Senter; First base, J. Lawrence; Second base, Cornelson; Third base, E. Vandevanter; First base, Miles; Second base, Davidson; Third base, Johnson; Third base, Pyle; Short stop, Thompson; Pitcher, Wright; Left field, Woodard; Center field, Woodard; Right field, Woodard.

**HARMON EMPLOY COUNSEL**

**Will Fight for Possession of Jewett Ranch.**

A. E. Harmon of Chicago, Kansas, proprietor of the old Jewett stock ranch, was in the city yesterday and employed Attorney Adams & Adams to defend the case brought against him by Henry E. Jewett of Buffalo, N. Y., who formerly owned the ranch. This ranch cost Mr. Harmon \$30,000, which he claims to have paid in full. Mr. Harmon claims that he has put on the ranch nearly \$100,000 in improvements since he took possession of it in 1897. This is one of the most valuable ranches in southern Kansas, as the business on this ranch cost upwards of \$20,000, the ranch containing over 100 acres of land. There is no acre of wheat on the ranch this year, and about 1,200 in corn and oats. This is one of the most desirable stock ranches in the state. This litigation, it appears, grows out of a misunderstanding between Mr. Jewett and Mr. Harmon. Harmon claims that Jewett has not performed his contract, and has violated it in many particulars, while he claims that he has paid Jewett in full. The result of this litigation will be watched with interest.

**MISSOURI PACIFIC BUYS**

**Acquires Ground Next to the Freight Depot.**

The Missouri Pacific Railway company yesterday closed a deal to purchase the vacant grounds on Wichita street in the rear of Lehman & Highman's store. The tract adjoins the Missouri Pacific freight depot and is 15-25-30 feet. The object in purchasing the lots is not made known, but it is probable that the company intends making some small improvements in addition to the new depot.

**HAS MISSIONARY RECORD**

**Wichita Girl Prime pal of Boarding School at Statkote, India.**

The United Presbyterian church of this city is a conspicuously young organization, and not very large, but it has a missionary record that many older churches might be proud of. Seven years ago Miss Mary Lawrence went from this congregation to India as a missionary, and is now the principal of the girls' boarding school in Statkote. Last week word was received that Mr. Owen A. Keach, another member, has just been appointed to the newly opened mission field at the Statkote with headquarters at Kharatoom. Mr. Keach graduated on Wednesday from the theological seminary in Allegheny, Pa., and will be the first American missionary in Kharatoom. The interest in the foreign field is only on a par with the interest shown by the members in the home church and its work.

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Before his death, Dr. Shanks kept a dog boarding house and he was so liberally patronized that he is said to have amassed a small little fortune. This agitation may be taken up and prosecuted until an enterprise of the kind mentioned is started.

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## TRIP THROUGH ITALY

James Allison Takes in the Ruins of Pompeii

## VISITS MOUNT VESUVIUS

Gives a Good Description of the Volcano.

Mr. George Dixon of this city, has just received a letter from Mr. James Allison, one of the United States commissioners at the world's fair. Mr. Allison was appointed by President McKinley and left Wichita for Paris about six weeks ago.

The letter is dated: "Hotel Du Capitole et Pension, Lestro Girani, Rome, May 21, 1900." Following is an extract: "We are now in Rome. We found that we could take a Thomas Cook excursion ticket and live cheaper than to remain in Paris. Finding that the exposition would not give us anything to do until near May 30 or June 1, we decided to take a trip through Italy and Switzerland. We left April 23, and stayed Monday night at Aix La Basse. Tuesday we traveled all day, reaching Genoa at 11:30 p. m. The day was charming and we had most charming views of the Alps. From early morning until noon, the snow capped mountains were continually in sight. Some of the mountain streams and cascades were very beautiful. We passed through Turin, a very fine city surrounded by a rich, fertile country.

"We found Genoa a very prosperous city, surrounded by hills. We visited the various places of interest and then went on to Naples. From Rome we went direct to Naples, reaching there Thursday, April 26, and remained there until April 30. Naples has a population of over half a million people. The bay, we are told, is one of the most beautiful in the world. Four large war vessels belonging to Italy, were in the bay. The shipping interests from this point are very large. The city seems very much crowded and a large number of the population are poor. From seeing the people on the street, you would conclude that they had taken the last meal on earth, and from the number of little stalls you see everywhere selling something to eat, you would also conclude that a majority of the people only brought enough for one meal at a time. The vegetable places are also numerous. Milk wagons are not needed here. About 6 o'clock in the morning and 3 o'clock in the evening you see large herds of goats driven along the streets and sidewalks, and these are milked wherever they find a customer to buy the milk. Those who are too high-toned to buy goat milk, wait for the cows to be driven in and milked in front of their doors. So there is no chance for paining off watered milk in Naples. The National museum here is very beautiful.

"On Friday we made the trip to Mount Vesuvius. This is about twelve miles from our hotel. The mountain is said to be about 4,000 feet high. We had to wind around the mountain for miles with carriages. When we were about three-fourths of a mile from the crater, we took an elevator and reached the top of the mountain. Starting at 8 a. m., we reached the top of the mountain at 1 p. m. From here we got a fine view of the whole mountain and country around it; also a fine view of the crater. The smoke coming out of this all the time, is something like a conflagration of ten or twelve large frame houses in the last stage of being consumed. From where we stood, we also saw the red flame belching out, but this does not reach the top of the crater. While we were there, it threw out some large balls of lava. With every swell of smoke and flame comes a sound that shakes the earth and sounds like a large cannon fired off underneath the mountain. The next Saturday we visited the ruins of Pompeii. This is also very wonderful. In 1674, Vesuvius threw out great streams of lava, which extended down the mountain a mile or more.

"The climate here is delightful. All tropical fruits are found here. There are loaded with lemons and oranges are seen on every hand. The olive orchards are most extensive. We will be back in Paris on or before May 10."

**WICHITA BOY IN MANILA**

**Oliver Cantowine Was With General Lawton When He Was Killed.**

The Eagle is in receipt of a letter from Allie Cantowine, a Wichita boy who is a member of the Eleventh United States cavalry, now stationed at Manila. The following are extracts from the letter:

"Things are very quiet here at present. We have nothing to do but scout over the country for bands. The insurgent army is all broken up, but small bands which still operate at times. I would be glad to receive the Eagle and would willingly correspond for the same or do anything I can for the paper. News here is scarce at present, but things are expected to start afresh as soon as the rainy season closes. We were with General Lawton when he was killed at San Mateo, a small town thirteen miles south of Manila.

"Matters are changing here. The American forces have natives to work the roads, for which they receive 75 cents per day. Please send me the price of the paper and I will try and get subscribers for you. There is a large number of Kansas boys here. Do not forget to send me a copy of the Eagle, for I have not seen one for a long time."

**RIGHT UP NEAR THE CRATER**

**Two Wichita Boys Brave Vesuvius and Its Lava.**

Mr. J. M. Muselman yesterday received a letter from Charles A. Muselman and Charles H. Hutton, the two Wichita boys who are touring Europe on bicycles. They are now in Venice. They have just come from a visit to Vesuvius, which is now in eruption. They climbed higher up the side of the boiling mountain than anyone else and were driven back by the terrible heat reflected from the streams of lava. In Venice they are having a great time. There it is the custom to cross eighteen-inch canals in gondolas, and the boys, not possessing to be held up for an eighth of a cent (the boat fee at every corner, provided to jump the canal). They write that when they do this the gondoliers yell at them in English: "Hey Rubel!"

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## AT Henderson's Corset Information

Miss Louise Dion, the expert Corset fitter and demonstrator, will be in our Corset department for one week, beginning tomorrow, May 21. She will explain and demonstrate the superior merits of the Henderson Corsets and

**Fit Them, Free of Charge**

We shall be pleased to have the ladies who are interested in Corset comfort meet Miss Dion on this occasion.

We feel no hesitancy in saying the Henderson Corset is the best Corset for any lady to wear. Ladies who have worn a Henderson Corset are so well satisfied that they always want them. These Corsets are constructed from every beneficial standpoint to science and overcome the injurious effects attributed to many other Corsets—fit so perfectly and easily that one feels as well as one looks.

We received yesterday a large assortment of white Waists, open in front and back, with soft or stiff cuffs, 95c and upwards.

We have the latest novelties in Handkerchief Waists, at 75c tomorrow. They are worth \$1.50.

Fifty percale Waists, regular 75c quality, will go tomorrow at 39c.

Ten pieces of wash Taffetas, grenadine effect; just the thing for summer wear; will go tomorrow at a bargain.

If you are in need of a summer Skirt we can show you ten styles and figures tomorrow, commencing at 40c.

5,400 yards of Torchon Laces tomorrow, at a bargain.

We have a heavy run on our Damask Table Spreads, extra quality and great bargains. We have many of them left that we are offering at \$2; the regular price everywhere is \$3.50.

We have ten pieces of wash Silks, which we will offer Monday at 25c. They are sold everywhere at 60c. They are in checks, stripes and plaids.

Ten pieces of new all-over Yokings will be offered tomorrow at 48c.

When we advertise a bargain for sale we give it. We don't do any catch-penny trade. For styles and bargains see us.

**119-121 NORTH MAIN.**

You do not care what your men friends think about the style, the fit, the pattern of the suit you buy, but you do care for the good opinion, the approval of the ladies; they shun "loudly" dressed men. They

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**\$6, \$7, \$8, \$10**

We are receiving new neckwear and furnishings almost daily. The latest styles, snappy patterns, and our prices are very low. Don't buy anything in Hats, Clothing and Fine Fashionable Furnishings until you visit our store and look around.

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## The Golden Eagle

Is the busiest clothing store in Wichita, because it's the clothing store that always satisfies. All our fine tailor-made Suits have been reduced to remarkably low prices. For values we give they cannot be equaled. Hundreds of Suits to select from, in all materials, and all high grade garments.

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**\$4, \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8, \$9, \$10, \$11, \$12 and \$15.** To see these Suits is to buy them.

## Boys' Long Pants Suits

At \$3.25, \$4, \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8, \$9 and \$10.

## Children's Vestee and Knee Pants Suits

At \$1.35, \$2, \$3, \$3.90, \$4 and \$5.

Mothers who have boys to clothe should not fail to visit this store.

## Furnishing Goods---Specials

Scriven's elastic seam Drawers, lot 50, at 45c  
Men's Balbriggan Underwear, all colors, at 24c  
Men's imported Balbriggan Underwear, at 48c  
Men's white silk, puff bosom Shirts, at 89c  
Men's fine imported madras Shirts, at \$1.00

## Men's and Boys' Straw Hats

You will find here the grandest assortment of Straw Hats ever shown. Prices range from 25c up to \$2.00.

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